### For a Bachelor's Degree Program



First Trust CU's \$1,000 Scholarship winners will be chosen based on the geographic location of their high school. Each branch location will award a \$1,000 scholarship.

- 1. Michigan City
- 2. La Porte
- 3. Valparaiso
- 4. Wheatfield

This scholarship will be awarded based on the following criteria:

- A. Recipient must be a member of First Trust CU if not a current member, applicant may open a savings account with \$25 at any local branch location. (Bring photo I.D. and social security number.)
- B. Graduating senior from an accredited high school who will be entering the initial year of post high school education in pursuit of a four-year degree.
- C. Enrollment in an accredited institution for post high school education or training.
- D. Scholastic achievement
- E. Involvement in school and community activities
- F. Essay from applicant
- G. Letter of recommendation from a teacher

**Application:** The following information must be submitted to the Scholarship Committee via email to <a href="mailto:scholarships@firsttrustcu.com">scholarships@firsttrustcu.com</a> or mail to The Scholarship Committee, c/o First Trust CU, 950 E US Hwy 20, Michigan City IN 46360, or hand deliver to your local First Trust CU branch. Applications must be received no later than 5:00 P.M. Friday, March 15, 2024.

Announcement of the winner and presentation of the scholarship will take place at the winner's high school annual awards program.

<sup>\*\*</sup>First Trust employees, board members, and supervisory committee members and their families are not eligible.

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# **Choose Your First Trust CU Branch:**

Michigan City	La Porte	Valparaiso	Wheatfield
Your Personal Informat	tion:		
Name		Cur	rent GPA
Address			
Phone			
Email			
Father's Name			
Mother's Name			
Your First Trust CU Acce	ount #		
School Information:			
Name of High School			
Graduation Date			
School Address			
School Phone #			
College or institution you	a will be attend	ing	
Intended course of study	<i>I</i>		
Date of Senior Awards C	eremony		

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**Scholastics:** List no more than five of your top scholastic awards or honors earned throughout your school career.

1	
2	
3	
4	
5	
School Activities: Please indicate your participation in any scl activities.	nool organizations, clubs, or
Senior Year: (no more than 4)	Office held or duties
Junior Year: ( no more than 3)	Office held or duties
Sophomore Year: ( no more than 2)	Office held or duties
Freshman Year: ( no more than 1)	Office held or duties

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Please list your three most rewarding community service experiences. List organizations, clubs, programs, or activities and state your duties and responsibilities for each. Please include time of involvement. i.e. 1 day, 3 months, 4 years.

Activity	Time of service	
Responsibilities :		
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#### **Essay:**

In an organized paragraph format using no more than two hundred and fifty words, explain how one of your school or non-school activities had a significant impact on you, or explain the deciding factors that helped you choose the intended course of study that you listed on page 2.

**Important Note:** Should you become a recipient of a First Trust CU scholarship, be aware that we DO NOT report this information to the IRS.

You are responsible for determining whether the scholarship must be reported as income.

Applicant:	Date:
Signature of:	
Parent or Guardian:	Date:
Date received by scholarship co	•44

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Attach a letter of recommendation from a teacher who can best attest to your character or abilities which may help the committee distinguish you from other applicants.

Applicant's name
Teacher's Name (Print)
Title
Teacher's Signature
Date

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